Common Council 7/14/09 Action (Draft)

COMMON COUNCIL

ACTION

JULY 14, 2009

8:00 P.M. DST COUNCIL CHAMBERS

NORWALK, CONNECTICUT ALL COMMON COUNCIL ACTIONS TAKEN AT THIS MEETING TO APPROVE EXPENDITURES AND CONTRACTS OR TO ACCEPT BIDS AND OTHER PROPOSALS REQUIRING THE EXPENDITURE OF CITY FUNDS ARE SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

Mayor Moccia called the meeting to order at 8:10pm and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL 15 Present - Quorum

II. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

Regular meeting -June 23, 2009 Accepted

III. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

13 Speakers

Approved

IV. MAYOR

A. RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Resignations: John Church – Fair Rent Commission (Alternate)

Appointments: John Church – Fair Rent Commission (Regular) **Approved**

> Michael Chieffalo – Planning Commission Approved

Christine Names – Tree Advisory

Reappointment: Jeannette Jean-Pierre – Fair Rent Commission **Approved**

> Brenda Penn-Williams - Fair Rent Commission (Alternate) Approved Amy Bien - Maritime Authority **Approved** Michael Corsello – Oak Hills Authority **Approved** Vasilios (Bill) Kementzidis – Oak Hills Authority **Approved** Walter McLaughlin – Planning Commission **Approved** Donald Nelson – Planning Commission Approved

> Peter Viteretto – Tree Advisory Approved Larry Bentley – Zoning Commission **Approved** James White - Zoning Commission

> <u>Approved</u> John Tobin – Zoning Commission (Alternate) **Approved**

> > Updated: 07/17/09 8:04 PM

B. REMARKS

Mayor Moccia stated that he has made every effort to appoint women to several different commissions and position within his administration. Mayor also mentioned that the summer jobs program is underway and that a financial literacy component has been added. Mayor Moccia signed papers to transfer 322 Flax Hill Rd at Fodor Farm to David Detroy. It is the first house sold at Fodor Farm.

V. <u>COUNCIL PRESIDENT</u>

Council President thanked Chief Rilling for his willingness and commitment to work with the South Norwalk Community dealing with the recent rash of gun violence. Councilman Bolden also thanked Walter Briggs for his service to the community.

A. GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

B. CONSENT CALENDAR: The following items are on consent: VI.A1, 4, 6, 7; VII.A 1a -3; VII.B 1,3,4,5

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VI. REPORTS: DEPARTMENTS, BOARD AND COMMISSIONS

A. BOARD OF ESTIMATE & TAXATION

- RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$23,146 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the Tax Assessor's Office to cover the cost of overtime associated with the 2008 revaluation. (Account No. 01-1320-5120).
- 2. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$273,816 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the fire Department to cover the cost of overtime. (Account No. 01-3120-5120).

RESOLVED WITH CLARIFICATION

- 3. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$297,227 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the Department of Public Works to cover the cost of salt purchases for the 2008-09 snow removal operations. (Account No. 01-4025-5322).

 RESOLVED
- 4. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$79,784 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the Unemployment Insurance Premium Account to cover the cost of an increase in unemployment claims experience. (Account No. 01-90-40-5418).

 RESOLVED
- RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$99,755 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the Employee Benefits Social Security Account to cover a projected shortfall in social Security. (Account No. 01-9020-5418)
- 6. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$20,000 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the Historical Commission's Grant & Donations Institution account to cover Common Area Maintenance (CAM) Charges for the Norwalk Museum. (Account No. 01-6300-5620).
- 7. RESOLVED, that a sum not to exceed \$71,573 be and the same is hereby transferred from Contingency to the Department of Public Works to cover a settlement between the City and the third Taxing District. (Account No. 01-4021-5241).

VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A. HEALTH, WELFARE & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

- 1a. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute any and all documents necessary to apply for and accept grant funds from the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health for Public Health Emergency Preparedness for the period August 10, 2009 to August 9, 2010.

 AUTHORIZED
- 1b. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute any and all agreements, documents, instruments or amendments as may be necessary to implement Public Health Emergency Preparedness for the August 10, 2009 to August 9, 2010.
 <u>AUTHORIZED</u>
- 2. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to execute a purchase order to Colt Defense, Inc., on the behalf of the Norwalk Police Department, for the sole source purchase of fifteen (15), Colt Model 6940, Law Enforcement Carbines for a total amount not to exceed \$ 16,500. Funds to be taken from Account # 09103010-5777-C0436.

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VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES (continued)

A. HEALTH, WELFARE & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE (continued)

3. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to execute a purchase order, on behalf of the Norwalk Police Department, to Mar-Vel International, Inc., the low bidder, for the purchase of 15 sets of accessories for the above Colt Model 6940 Law Enforcement Carbines, for an amount not to exceed \$ 14,100. Funds to be taken from Account # 09103010-5777-C0436.

B. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

- Authorize the director of Public Works to issue Orders on Contract to the Brunalli Construction Company for Project No. BR 2007-2, Reed Street Railroad Bridge and Reed Street Extension, in an amount not to exceed \$13,787. Account No. 0920910 5777 C0241
- 2. Approve revision to prior authorization:
 - a. Resolution authorized on May 12, 2009:

Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an Agreement for Professional Engineering Services in connection with Project RD2009-1, West Avenue Roadway Improvements, Scope of Services to be in accordance with Tighe & Bond Proposal Section A Bidding Phase Services and Section B Construction Administration Services (Office) for a sum not exceed \$88,500.00 (including \$6,000.00 in reimbursement direct costs). Account No. 09020910-CO241

b. Revised authorization:

Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an Agreement for Professional Engineering Services in connection with Project RD2009-1, West Avenue Roadway Improvements, Scope of Services to be in accordance with Tighe & Bond Proposal Section A Bidding Phase Services, Section B Construction Administration Services (Office), and Section C Construction Observation Services (Field) for a sum not to exceed \$440,000 (including \$13,500 in reimbursable direct costs). Account No. 09020910 –C0241.

<u>AUTHORIZED</u>

3. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an Amendment to the contract with A. DiCesare Associates, PC for Professional Engineering Services regarding the Reed Street Extension Project, to provide additional construction administration and inspection services and to extend the contract completion date to December 31, 2010, for a sum not to exceed \$75,000.00 Account No. 09020910 5777 CO241

<u>AUTHORIZED</u>

- 4. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an Amendment to the Agreement with Milone & McBroom, for the design of a culvert replacement on Rowayton Avenue at Woodchuck Lane, to evaluate the effect of the improvements on 405 Rowayton Avenue, for a sum not exceed \$5,000.00.

 AUTHORIZED Account No. 090740215777 C0395 (FEMA Grant)
- 5. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute a Second Amendment to the Agreement with Vanasse Hangen Brustlin (VHB), Inc. for the East Avenue Corridor Signalization Improvement Project, to prepare final as-constructed plans for STC submission, for a sum not to exceed \$4,000.00.

 Account No. 090741205777 C0397

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VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES (continued)

- B. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE (continued)
 - 6. Authorize the Director of Public works to issue Orders on contract to Wanat's Westport Electric Company, Inc. for the Washington Street Historic Light Project, for a sum not to exceed \$38,500.00.

Account No. 014031-5264 014031-5267 014031-5269 014031-5296 014031-5336 014031-5341 014031-5343 014031-5345

0900 091 05701 C0009

7. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to sign the Resolution for Replacement of the Metro North Railroad Bridge over East Avenue and Reconstruction of East Avenue.

RESOLUTION: Replacement of Metro North Railroad Bridge over East Avenue and Reconstruction of East Avenue

WHEREAS, the City of Norwalk, CT has conducted a number of public informational meetings regarding the proposed project for the "Replacement of the Metro North Bridge over East Avenue and the Reconstruction of East Avenue" (ConnDOT Project Nos. 102-1375/102-297), and

WHEREAS, the City of Norwalk, CT has made a number of changes in the conceptual approach to the reconstruction of East Avenue in response to resident comments, and

WHEREAS, the City of Norwalk, CT has published a legal notice display ad, mailed a news release to multiple officials and agencies, and mailed a formal letter to abutting property owners, announcing the latest public informational meeting on the proposed project, and

WHEREAS, the most recent public informational meeting was held on March 17, 2009 from 7:00pm to 9:30pm in city Hall, at which residents and elected officials had the opportunity to provide additional comments and voice concerns, and

WHEREAS, the South Western Regional Planning Agency has endorsed these projects, and

WHEREAS, the Norwalk City Staff will continue to solicit and consider the comments and concerns of residents and the Common Council finds that the proposed projects, Replacement of the Metro North Railroad Bridge over East Avenue and Reconstruction of East Avenue (ConnDOT) Project Nos. 102-1375/102-297) are in the best interest of the City of Norwalk, CT and will promote the health, safety and general welfare of its residents and provide for the convenience and safety of the motoring public and pedestrian traffic.

NOW THEREFORE, the City of Norwalk, CT based on the above information, and by virtue of this resolution, hereby fully supports the proposed projects.

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VII. COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEES (continued)

B. <u>PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE</u> (continued)

- 8a. Authorize the Public Works Director to:
 - 1. Purse negotiations with property owners along East Avenue for additional takings for the inclusion of grass snow shelves. Negotiations to be conducted with no threat of eminent domain.
 - 2. Develop a modified tree enhancement program limited to the East Avenue project for the purpose of encouraging the planting of trees on private property.
 - 3. Pursue and enter discussions with utility companies for the underground installation of utilities and enter into discussions and negotiations with the Third Taxing District for the installation of decorative lighting along the East Avenue construction project.

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- 8b. Authorize the Director of Public Works to discuss with the Connecticut Department of Transportation the possibility of removing from the Roadway Improvement Project the section of East Avenue between Myrtle Street and Raymond Terrace without jeopardizing the funding for the project.

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C. FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. Authorize the Mayor, Richard A. Moccia, to execute an amendment to the city's existing agreement with Ricoh Professional Services, for a period not to exceed two (2) years, for continued mailroom services, for a total two (2) year amount not to exceed \$129,519.00. Acct. No. 011362-5259.

AUTHORIZED

VIII. RESOLUTIONS FROM COMMON COUNCIL

NONE

IX. MOTIONS POSTPONED TO A SPECIFIC DATE

NONE

X. SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

NONE

XI. ADJOURNMENT

10:45pm

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APPOINTMENTS

FAIR RENT COMMISSION	M/C	NWLK CODE 39
John Church (I) 1 Highview Avenue Norwalk, CT 06851	<u>APPROVED</u>	(Succeed B. Guerrero) Term expires – 7/01/12
PLANNING COMMISSION	M/C	NWLK CODE 79
Michael Chieffalo (G) 3 Random Road Norwalk, CT 06851	<u>APPROVED</u>	(Succeed W. Briggs) Term expires – 7/01/13
TREE ADVISORY	M/C	NWLK CODE 112-3B
Christine Names (D) 223 Silvermine Ave. Norwalk, CT 06850	<u>APPROVED</u>	(Succeed M. Becker) Term expires – 7/01/12
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REAPPOINTMENTS

FAIR RENT COMMISSION	M/C	NWLK CODE 39
Jeannette Jean-Pierre (D) 221 Flax Hill Road Norwalk, CT 06854	<u>APPROVED</u>	Term expires -7/01/12
Brenda Penn-Williams (D) Alternate 21 Karen Drive Norwalk, CT 06851	<u>APPROVED</u>	Term expires – 7/01/12
MARITIME AUTHORITY	С	NWLK CODE 70
Amy Bien (R) 82 Fawn Ridge Lane Norwalk, CT 06851	<u>APPROVED</u>	Term expires – 7/01/14

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REAPPOINTMENTS

OAK HILLS AUTHORITY	M/C	NWLK CODE 73-2
Michael Corsello (R) 4 Lisa Lane Norwalk, CT 06850	<u>APPROVED</u>	Term expires – 6/24/13
Vasilios Kementzidis (D) 4 Jayne Way Norwalk, CT 06851		Term expires – 6/24/09
PLANNING COMMISSION	M/C	NWLK CODE 79
Walter McLaughlin (R) 6 Thistle Road Norwalk, CT 06851	<u>APPROVED</u>	Term expires – 7/01/13
Donald Nelson (R) 8 Argentine Way Norwalk, CT 06850	<u>APPROVED</u>	Term expires – 7/01/13
TREE ADVISORY	M/C	NWLK CODE 112-3B
Peter Viteretto (R) 119 Comstock Hill Avenue Norwalk, CT 06850	<u>APPROVED</u>	Term expires – 7/01/12
ZONING COMMISSION	M/C	NWLK Code 79
Larry Bentley (U) 52 Hills Lane Westport, CT 06880	<u>APPROVED</u>	Term expires – 7/01/12
James White (R) 72 Perry Ave Norwalk, CT 06850	<u>APPROVED</u>	Term expires – 7/01/12
John Tobin (R) Alternate 16 Lorena Street Norwalk, CT 06855	<u>APPROVED</u>	Term expires – 7/01/12
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